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Applicant:
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) Title: Improved Toxicity Screening Method
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

*Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Submitted herewith is an executed Declaration for filing in the above-identified application, in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts issued by the Patent and Trademark Office on August 23, 2000, along with a check in the amount of \$130.00 for the surcharge. Also submitted herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and a check in the amount of \$390.00 for the petition for extension of time.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8)

I hereby certify that this paper and the documents referred to as enclosed therewith are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, on **December 18, 2000**, in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

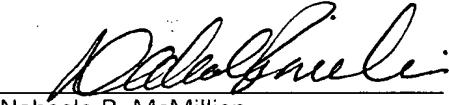

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- Also enclosed is a copy of the Notice together with our check in the amount of \$130.00 in payment of the surcharge fee.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A copy of this request is enclosed.
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*Docketed: 10/23/00

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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